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November 13, 1896

The island of Guadeloupe is quarantined by all the Windward and Leeward Islands. I shall watch the situation closely, as there have been several sudden deaths at this port within a few days.

I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JACOB E. DART,
United States Consul.

Hon. ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE.

STATISTICAL REPORTS.

CANADA—*Ontario—Hamilton.*—Month of October, 1896. Estimated population, 50,000. Total deaths, 55, including phthisis pulmonalis, 4, and enteric fever, 2.

GREAT BRITAIN—*England and Wales.*—The deaths registered in 33 great towns of England and Wales during the week ended October 24, correspond to an annual rate of 17.6 a thousand of the aggregate population, which is estimated at 10,846,971. The highest rate was recorded in Preston, viz, 23.4, and the lowest in Croydon, viz, 11.5 a thousand.

London.—One thousand four hundred and fifty deaths were registered during the week, including measles, 10; scarlet fever, 15; diphtheria, 57; whooping cough, 14; enteric fever, 9, and diarrhea and dysentery, 14. The deaths from all causes correspond to an annual rate of 17.1 a thousand. In greater London 1,825 deaths were registered, corresponding to an annual rate of 15.4 a thousand of the population. In the “outer ring” the deaths included 10 from diphtheria, and 6 from scarlet fever.

Ireland.—The average annual death rate represented by the deaths registered during the week ended October 24 in the 16 principal town districts of Ireland was 23.4 a thousand of the population. The lowest rate was recorded in Drogheda, viz, 4.4, and the highest in Sligo, viz, 40.6 a thousand. In Dublin and suburbs 190 deaths were registered, including scarlet fever, 9; enteric fever, 8, and whooping cough, 3.

Scotland.—The deaths registered in 8 principal towns during the week ended October 24 correspond to an annual rate of 18.9 a thousand of the population, which is estimated at 1,518,347. The lowest mortality was recorded in Greenock, viz, 15.2, and the highest in Paisley, viz, 21.4 a thousand. The aggregate number of deaths registered from all causes was 552, including measles, 16; scarlet fever, 4; diphtheria, 5, and whooping cough, 12.

GREECE—*Athens.*—Four months ended August 31, 1896. Estimated population, 140,000. Total deaths, 872, including smallpox, 3; typhus fever, 1; enteric fever, 6; scarlet fever, 2, and diphtheria, 16.

JAMAICA.—Two weeks ended October 17, 1896. Estimated population, 580,804. Total deaths not reported. Two deaths from enteric fever, and 1 death from whooping cough.

MEXICO—*Tampico.*—Month of October, 1896. Estimated population, 12,000. Total deaths, 74. No deaths reported from contagious diseases.

Nova Scotia—Windsor.—Month of October, 1896. Estimated population, 3,000. Total deaths, 2. No deaths from contagious diseases.

St. Helena.—Four weeks ended October 3, 1896. Estimated population, 3,600. Total deaths, 4. No deaths from contagious diseases.

SPAIN—Barcelona.—Month of September, 1896. Estimated population, 440,000. Total deaths, 599, including phthisis pulmonalis, 68; smallpox, 15; enteric fever, 31, and diphtheria, 23.

SWITZERLAND—Lucerne.—Month of September, 1896. Estimated population, 23,000. Total deaths, 26, including 2 from enteric fever.